3 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT DOMINION **GARDENS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

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While the Light up the Hills ignition night may have been cancelled due to inclement weather, the team behind the seasonal display is reminding local residents that the lights will be on throughout the holiday season.

Here are three things to know about the Christmas lights in Georgetown's Dominion Gardens Park.

1. The lights will sparkle nightly throughout the month of December to Jan. 3, 2020. Local residents are encouraged through the park and check out the displays up close.

2. The seasonal display is sponsored by Light up the Hills Inc., a nonprofit organization in Hal-



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The elaborate Christmas lights and displays in Dominion Gardens Park will remain on until Jan. 3, 2020.

ton Hills. The group is also the driving force behind the lights displays at the Acton Sports Park and Shelagh Law Parkette in Glen Williams.

This year, 100,000 LED lights are illuminating the three parks. There are 300 lighted trees, many illu-

minated displays and decorated light poles. Hundreds of memory balls, which provide an opportunity for local residents to commemorate their loved ones, are also on display in Dominion Gardens.

For more information visit lightupthehills.com.







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